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1. Between 15 and 25 January 1952 CH'EN Man-yuan, commander of the 13 Army Group of the 4 Field Army and vice-chairman of the Kwangsi Provincial Government, inspected Kwangsi coastal defenses. His movements were as follows:

   a. 15 to 18 January. He inspected Peihai (109-05, 21-24) and Hop'u (109-10, 21-38), where he gave directions concerning the organization of fishermen and concerning the Land-Reform Anti-Thugs (sic) Movement. He also inspected armed forces stationed at the Kwangtung-Kwangsi border.

   b. 19 to 23 January. He inspected Lungmenchiang (108-, 21-) and coastal defenses of the 43 Army in the Ch'inchou (108-, 21-) region. He also inspected Chinese Communist naval patrol units at Ch'inchouwan (108-, 21-).

   c. 24 to 25 January. He inspected forces stationed at Fangch'eng (108-23, 21-46) and Tunghsing (107-58, 21-33).

   d. 26 January. He entrained for Nanning, via Ningming (107-07, 22-09).

2. CH'EN expressed the following opinions as a result of this inspection trip:

   a. Defenses manned by forces stationed in the coastal regions of Kwangsi were strong, and the production movement was being pushed vigorously forward.

   b. Sea defenses were found weak at various coastal points.

   c. The second stage of land reform had been pushed forward strongly and should be completed before the autumn harvest of 1952.

   d. Widespread organization of fishermen was being carried out to increase the production of the fisheries.

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